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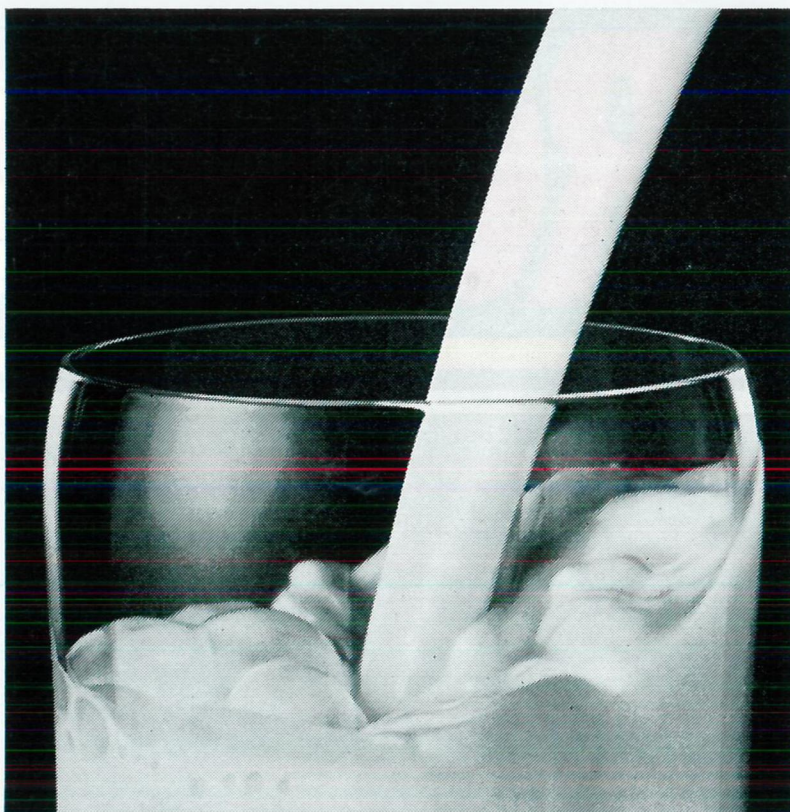
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On the inside

with KEN SMALES

During the second half of the match last Saturday, Fred Reacher remarked that the side at that time must be about the youngest ever to represent the club.

If you recall, Ian Bowyer had not come out for the second half due to concussion sustained in a clash of heads in the first period.

David Campbell had replaced him, which left Johnny Metgod claiming the title of "Grand old man of the team." Now we all know that Johnny has to have a haircut regularly (every year) so we can hardly classify him as an old man even by modern day standards.

I got to thinking about Fred's remarks and whilst I haven't yet calculated the average age of all the Forest team since the war I have still to find a younger one.

What I'm certain of is teams nowadays, like policemen, seem to be much younger than they used to be.

The game has changed a great deal in the last twenty years with its four at the back formation, which allows full backs to go forward as secondary attackers, whereas in the old days they rarely ventured over the half-way line.

Midfield players must be up and back, and all this needs young legs and plenty of lung power.



The oldest team to represent the club since the war had only four players under the age 30, with the youngest a mere three months Johnny Metgod's junior.

Whilst discussing the youthful aspect of the side Ron Fenton said that our present team would be great in a couple of years time, to which Brian replied that it may be so, but we might all have had the "sack" by then.

Managers, like supporters, want a good team now, and most good sides need a sprinkling of experience to go with the young legs.

Whatever has been won by us in the past has been gained by an experienced side. Just recall the promotion sides or the cup winning team, and you will see what I mean.

As a comparison of youngest and oldest teams since the war, I list the following — with the players ages—it makes interesting reading.

YOUNGEST FOREST v. WATFORD (21/9/85)

Player	Age yrs. days
Segers, H.	23—326
Walker, D.	19—299
Pearce, S.	23—150
Butterworth, I.	21—239
Metgod, J.	27—206
Campbell, D.	20—111
Wigley, S.	23—341
Webb, N.	22—53
Clough, N.	19—186
Davenport, P.	23—181
Rice, B.	21—345

Average Age

22—188

OLDEST FOREST v. BLACKBURN (17/4/54)

Player	Age yrs. days
Walker, H.	37—322
Whare, W. F.	29—338
Clarke, J.	30—131
Orr, A.	30—119
Gager, H.	37—82
Burkitt, J.	28—88
Moore, A.	27—41
Martin, T.	29—117
Ardron, W.	35—210
Capel, T.	31—294
Collindridge, C.	33—153

Average Age

31—399

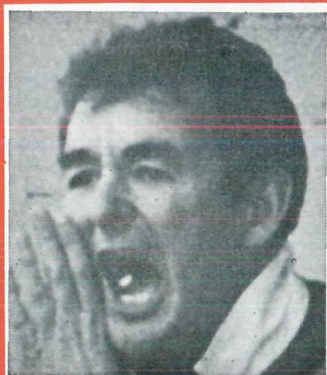
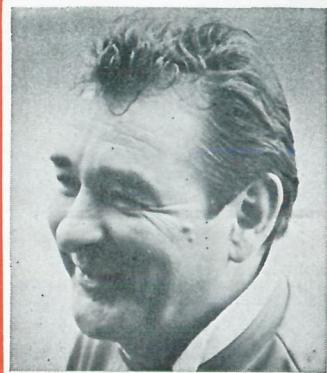
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Cloughie's Corner



I'm sorry that John McGovern is not still with Bolton Wanderers tonight because an occasion like this would have rekindled a lot of happy memories for him.

It would also have meant that we would have seen a nice, friendly, familiar face coming through the front door . . . and it's always good to renew acquaintances with old colleagues.

Having said that I'm sure Bolton—with or without John—will be looking forward to our two games against them in the next fortnight as their chance to do a bit of giant-killing.

As a First Division side we are expected to win so the Bolton lads have got precisely nothing to lose and will go out with that relaxed frame of mind.

That's exactly the situation we were confronted with a few years ago when we met them in the F.A. Cup and they came here and held us to a draw.

We had Shilton, Francis and a few other "names" in our side on that occasion and it took all our experience to win the replay at Burnden Park.

I'm certain that Bolton will do everything in their power to make it equally — if not more — difficult for us this time around.

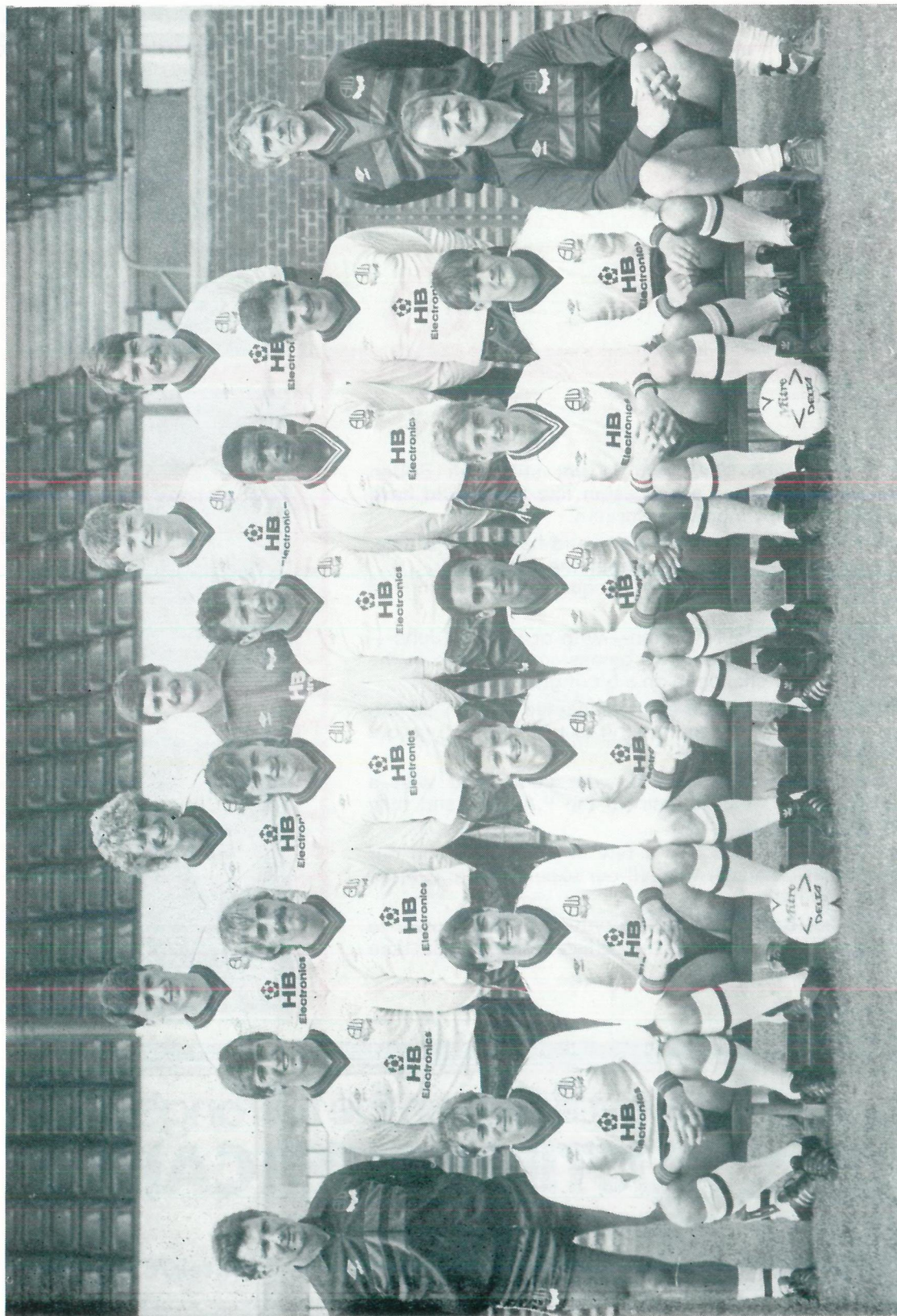
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BOLTON WANDERERS F.C. 1985/86

Back Row (left to right): Mark Came, Dave Sutton, Simon Farnworth, Paul Fitzpatrick, Sam Allardyce.

Middle Row : Walter Joyce (Coach), Steve Thompson, Tony Caldwell, Jimmy Phillips, David Cross,

Nightingale (Physiotherapist).

Seated : Asa Hartford, Derek Scott, Graham Bell, George Oghani, Dean Roberts, Simon Rudge, Charlie Wright (Team Manager).

Roger Walker, Warren Joyce, Peter

TODAY'S VISITORS

Bolton come to the City Ground tonight fresh from one of their most encouraging results of the season — a 1-0 victory over Newport in Wales on Saturday.

It was their first away win of the season and could not have been better timed as they face up to the Milk Cup challenge.

The victory gave them a significant lift up the Third Division table and they will be hoping for more like it in the coming weeks if they are to stake a claim for promotion.

Manager Charlie Wright, who took over from John McGovern after previously being his No. 2, has got a side together that blends youth with considerable experience.

The know-how is provided by the likes of Asa Hartford, who spent a short time with us during a career that has seen him make around 600 league appearances.

While he organizes the midfield, the equally experienced David Cross leads the front line.

He joined up with Bolton in the summer after being released by West Bromwich Albion and immediately showed his pedigree with a spell in which he scored five league goals in four matches and two more in a 4-1 Milk Cup victory over Stockport.

Cross's arrival was no doubt designed to take the pressure off Tony Caldwell, who has been Bolton's top scorer over the last two seasons.

Wanderers mixture of youth and experience

But he has not been on the score-sheet in the league since the opening day of the season and when he was injured at the weekend, former non-league marksman George Oghani responded with the winner.

When it comes to goalscoring, young midfielder Steve Thompson, who has earned a reputation as having a powerful shot, can also get his share.

He scored twice in a 4-1 demolition of Wolves and earned Bolton a point with another goal in a recent 1-1 home draw against Lincoln.

In midfield, Hartford's partners are Thompson and Graham Bell, who has clocked up around 400 league appearances in a career that began with such promise at Oldham.

Simon Rudge, a one-time striker, also found a place for himself in the midfield at the weekend but the defence has been fairly settled.

Big Sam Allardyce, back with the club with whom he helped into the First Division in the seventies, partners Mark Came, who went to Burnden Park from Winsford, and Paul Fitzpatrick and Derek Scott are the full backs.

In goal, Bolton believe they have one of the best young 'keepers in the game in Simon Farnworth, who has had the benefit of being coached by manager Wright, himself a former goalkeeper, since his early days at the club.

It's a Bolton squad keen to point the club back in the direction of the glory days of Nat Lofthouse and Co.

And no doubt they will view their Milk Cup tilt with us as an opportunity to get back into the limelight.

UNHAPPY MEMORIES OF LAST VISIT TO NOTTINGHAM

It must have revived painful memories for Bolton Wanderers as they travelled South in preparation for tonight's match.

For ironically, it was across the river at Meadow Lane that their Milk Cup dreams came to an end in dramatic fashion last season.

Wanderers had already caused a couple of upsets by putting out Second Division Oldham and Shrewsbury in the first two rounds and John McGovern and his men must have fancied their chances of completing a hat-trick against a Notts County side struggling at the foot of the table.

But it turned out to be one of those nights when everything turned to gold for County as they established two Milk Cup records.

The first was created by Rachid Harkouk when he scored a hat-trick in the space of just six minutes.

And when Steve Sims and Pedro Richards also hit the target, it meant that County had scored five times in seven minutes—the second fastest five goal burst ever recorded in the history of football.

Notts, in fact, were leading 6-0 after 32 minutes and it's not hard to imagine the reaction of the Bolton fans who didn't arrive until shortly before half-time because their coach was delayed!

To Wanderers credit, they had the better of the second period and scored a goal through Wayne Foster.

But 6-1 was the final scoreline and as Bolton take the field tonight, they will surely be hoping that lightning doesn't strike twice in the same place.

FOREST FILE



We are hoping that this is not the first piece of silverware to land on our doorstep this season.

Director John Hickling (second from left) and shareholder John Smith (second from right) picked up the trophy, The Leslie Marler Challenge Cup, after their two-year-old filly Taxroy romped to victory at Nottingham Racecourse.

Director Bill Burrows and chairman Maurice Roworth are seen admiring the trophy.



ANDY'S BACK IN BUSINESS

Andy Bullingham (above), our talented young apprentice, has been given the all clear to resume his career after a lengthy absence.

The Wolverhampton-born defender had a knee operation that has kept him out of contention for six months.

Says reserve coach Liam O'Kane: "Andy was showing a lot of promise before he was injured and it's great news for him to be back in full-time training."

FORMATION OF BOYS' CLUB

The Forest Boys' Club has launched last week with the promise of creating leisure activities in a much needed field.

The club, with an anticipated membership of 500, will be based here at the City Ground and cater for youngsters in the 14-20 age range.

Alan Hill, who is serving on the newly formed committee, pointed out: "We hope the club will appeal to girls as well as boys in order to make use of facilities we have at the City Ground."

"It's intended to organize a variety of sports and leisure sports and in addition to using the facilities we already have we would like to add to them as well."

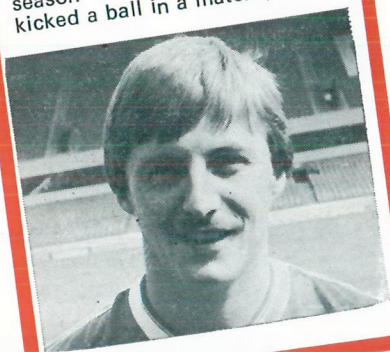
"Hopefully, we can contribute to providing worthwhile opportunities for youngsters and get a greater community involvement in the football club."

RILEY ON COURSE FOR COMEBACK

David Riley (below), who has not played so far after injuring a knee in pre-season training, is hoping to be back in competitive action in the next fortnight.

The 24-years-old striker revealed: "I'm stepping up my training but I can't really afford to rush things too much."

"It's been really frustrating because I was really looking forward to the start of the season but I haven't even kicked a ball in a match yet."

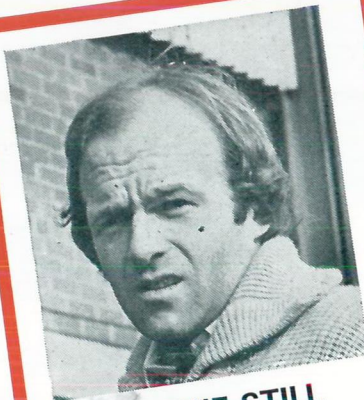


DEATH OF FORMER CLUB SURGEON

We were sad to hear of the recent death of Mr. Arthur Noel Birkett, who was our honorary surgeon for many years after the war.

He performed many operations on both our players and Notts County's and was largely responsible for Jack Burkitt, for one, prolonging his career despite a succession of cartilage operations.

We understand he removed all four of Jack's cartilages yet he was able to carry on playing despite the fact that players at the time were being forced to retire with much less set-backs.



ARCHIE STILL GOING STRONG

Archie Gemmill, one of the game's most enthusiastic players over the last 20 years, is still playing on at the age of 38.

The former Scottish international, who joined our coaching staff on the eve of the season, is having the occasional outing with our newly formed Thursday League side.

Says Archie (above): "I've always enjoyed playing and as long as the legs keep going I'll be there."

JOHN'S ON THE MOVE — ABROAD

Tonight's meeting with Bolton could easily have been a happy home-coming for our former European Cup and Championship-winning captain John McGovern.

He left us in 1982 to take over the manager's job at Burnden Park but parted company with the club in January.

John was keen to stay in the game but we understand he is now planning to pursue business interests in Tenerife.

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Frustration was the name of the game for us in the recent home match against Tottenham.

And the man who did more than anyone to deny us some reward from the match was former England 'keeper Ray Clemence, who appears to save his best performances for the City Ground.

He's seen (below) plunging bravely at the feet of Nigel Clough and there was no shortage of other action around the visitors' goal.

Des Walker (left) tries to get the better of Spurs match-winner Chris Hughton and Peter Davenport (right) and Brian Rice (bottom right) lead raids on the Tottenham goal.

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THAT MAN CLEMENCE



TODAY'S TEAMS



FOREST

Playing in his first Milk Cup tie tonight after being kept out of the side by Steve Sutton during last year's campaign that ended at Sunderland.	Hans Segers 1
Another player making his Milk Cup debut, the young defender continues to create a favourable impression at either full back or in the middle of the defence.	Des Walker 2
Nominated by the manager as a possible captain of the side in the absence of Ian Bowyer and his deputy Garry Birtles.	Stuart Pearce 3
Gained further recognition recently with his selection for the England Under-21 side — adding to the international calls he received at Coventry.	Ian Butterworth 4
With Chris Fairclough still searching for fitness, he remains in the back four — a position in which he figured earlier in his career.	Johnny Metgod 5
Was concussed during Saturday's victory over Watford but his unfortunate injury gave David Campbell the chance to score his first senior goal.	Ian Bowyer 6
Scored in last season's Milk Cup tie with Portsmouth at the City Ground and hoping for a repeat tonight.	Steve Wigley 7
One of only five ever-presents in the side this season — Hans Segers, Des Walker, Ian Butterworth and Stuart Pearce are the others.	Neil Webb 8
Widely recognised as "Man of the Match" against Watford on Saturday after scoring the first goal, brilliantly creating the second and having a hand in the third.	Nigel Clough 9
On the goal trail again at the weekend as he steps up his bid to impress Bobby Robson of his World Cup value.	Peter Davenport 10
Nicknamed "Chipper" at his former club Hibernian and our supporters are rapidly discovering why on the evidence of his articulate left foot.	Brian Rice 11
Still waiting to make his first full appearance but captured the limelight with a goal after coming on as substitute on Saturday.	David Campbell 12

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MATCH FACTS

The last time we met Bolton Wanderers was in a third round F.A. Cup tie in January, 1981, and we needed a replay at Burnden Park before we moved onto the fourth round.

John Robertson played in both matches, Bryn Gunn figured in the first match and Ian Bowyer the replay while Gary Mills was substitute on both occasions. Details:

FOREST 3 (Francis 2, Ponte) BOLTON 3 (Hoggan 2, Whatmore)

Attendance: 22,920

BOLTON 0, FOREST 1 (Francis)

Attendance: 22,799



BOLTON WANDERERS

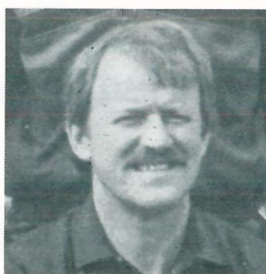
1 Simon Farnworth	Voted "Player of the Year" by supporters last term in only his second full season in league football. Regarded as a top prospect.
2 Paul Fitzpatrick	Showed a lot of promise in his brief appearance in the side towards the end of last season and now establishing a regular place in the side.
3 Derek Scott	A £20,000 signing from Burnley during the summer, he had spent ten seasons at Turf Moor. A native of the North East and former schoolboy international.
4 Steve Thompson	Earned a regular place in the side over the last two seasons and has a reputation as a powerful striker of the ball.
5 Mark Came	Recruited by Bolton from non-league Winsford and made a big impact last season during the course of which he played 23 league games.
6 Sam Allardyce	(Pictured above) The big strong defender is in his second spell with Bolton after having played with Sunderland, Millwall, Coventry and Huddersfield.
7 Roger Walker	Made his league debut this season but has earned the call-up by showing some exciting form in the club's junior sides over the last two years.
8 Tony Caldwell	Bolton's top scorer over the last two seasons after being snapped up from non-league football in the summer of 1983 and a threat to any defence.
9 David Cross	Has been a consistent scorer throughout a career that has taken him to Rochdale, Norwich, Coventry, West Ham, Manchester City, Oldham and now Bolton.
10 Asa Hartford	He had a brief spell with us in an eventful career that has brought him 50 Scottish caps. Joined Bolton during the summer after being released by Norwich.
11 Graham Bell	Once regarded as one of the top midfield prospects in the country during his days with Oldham. He has also played for Preston and Carlisle before going to Bolton.
12 Jimmy Phillips	The home-produced defender is equally at home in the middle of the back four or at full back and is a vital member of the first team squad.

Officials

Referee :
P. W. Vanes (Warley)

Automobile Project Engineer. Married with two children. Commenced refereeing in 1972 and progressed via local leagues and West Midlands (Regional) League. Main interest outside sports is gardening. Enjoys marathon running.

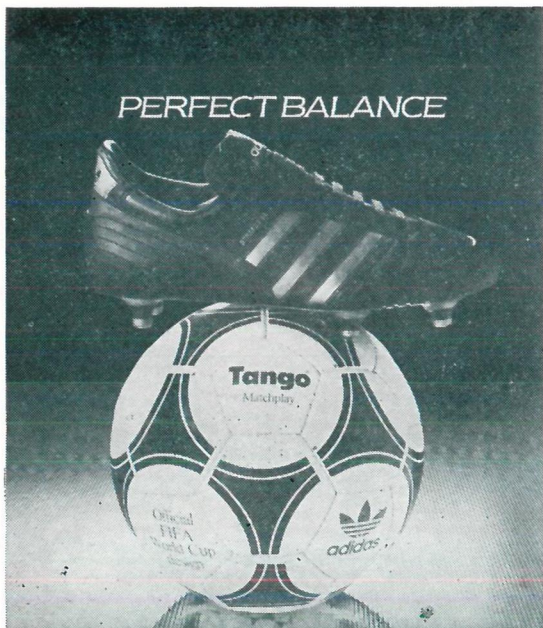
Linesmen :
A. G. Brueton (Red Flag)
F. D. Ross (Yellow Flag)



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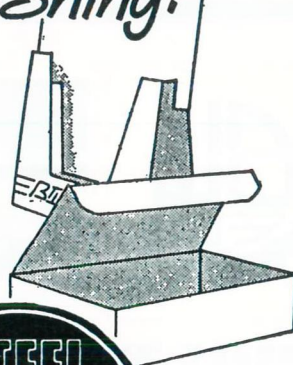
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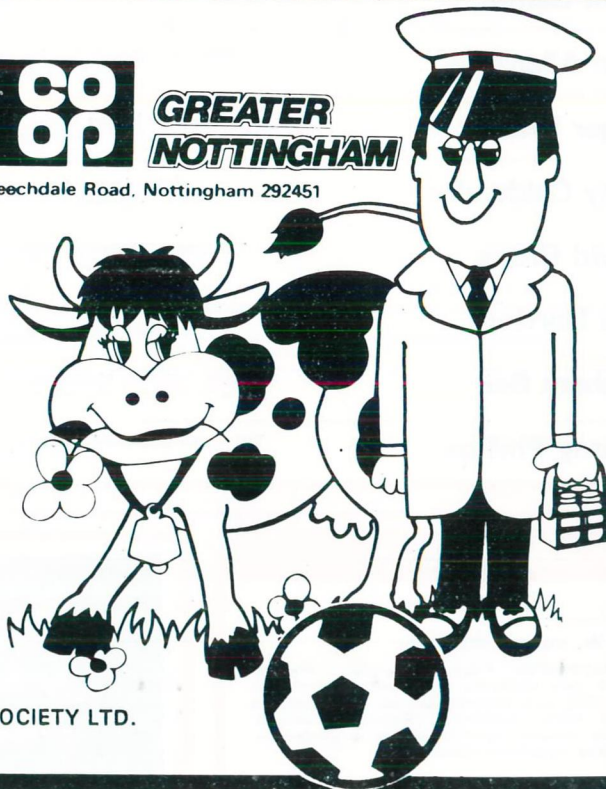
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Big date for Brian



It's been quite a hectic time for Brian Rice our recent £175,000 signing from Hibernian.

Not only has he been settling in South of the border but he had a very important engagement back home in Scotland recently.

As the picture shows, he was back home to marry Helen Abercrombie at St. Joseph's Church, Whitburn, and his former Hibs team mate Kevin McKee were there to offer their congratulations.

Brian's the fourth Forest player to be married in the last few months. Who's next, we wonder ?

SKOLARS

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CANON LEAGUE DIVISION ONE 1985-86

Home matches and scorers in heavy type

† Player withdrawn

Date	Opponents	ATT'D	F A	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Aug. 17	Luton Town	11,318	1—1	Segers	McInally	Pearce	But' worth	Walker	Hodge	Mills
21	SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY	18,367	0—1	Segers	McInally	Pearce	But' worth	Walker	Hodge	Wigley
24	SOUTHAMPTON	12,643	2—1	Segers	McInally	Pearce	But' worth	Walker	Webb	Wigley
27	Queen's Park Rangers	10,748	1—2	Segers	McInally	Pearce	But' worth	Walker	Webb†	Wigley
31	MANCHESTER UNITED	26,274	1—3	Segers	McInally†	Pearce	But' worth	Walker	Webb	Wigley
Sept. 3	Liverpool	27,135	0—2	Segers	But' worth	Pearce	Walker	Metgod	Bowyer	Wigley
8	Leicester City	14,247	3—0	Segers	But' worth	Pearce	Walker	Metgod	Bowyer	Wigley
14	TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR	17,554	0—1	Segers	Walker	Pearce	But' worth	Metgod	Bowyer	Wigley
21	WATFORD	12,921	3—2	Segers	Walker	Pearce	But' worth	Metgod	Bowyer†	Wigley
25	BOLTON (M.C.2, 1st Leg)									
28	West Ham United									
Oct. 5	IPSWICH TOWN									
8	Bolton (M.C.2, 2nd Leg)									
12	Aston Villa									
19	Newcastle United									
26	ARSENAL									
Nov. 3	ALBION									
9	Chelsea									
16	MANCHESTER CITY									
23	Everton									
Dec. 1	OXFORD UNITED									
7	Sheffield Wednesday									
14	LUTON TOWN									
20	Southampton									
26	Birmingham City									
28	LIVERPOOL									
Jan. 1	COVENTRY CITY									
4	F.A. Cup Round 3									
11	Tottenham Hotspur									
18	Manchester United									
25	F.A. Cup Round 4									
Feb. 1	QUEEN'S PARK RANGERS									
8	NEWCASTLE UNITED									
15	Arsenal (5)									
22	Watford									
March 1	WEST HAM UNITED									
8	Ipswich Town (6)									
15	ASTON VILLA									
22	LEICESTER CITY									
29	Coventry City									
31	BIRMINGHAM CITY									
April 5	Albion (F.A. Cup semi-final)									
12	CHELSEA									
19	Manchester City									
20	Milk Cup Final									
26	EVERTON									
May 3	Oxford United									
10	F.A. Cup Final									

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Man. United	9	9	0	0	26	3	27
Liverpool	9	5	3	1	21	10	18
Chelsea	9	5	3	1	13	7	18
Newcastle Utd.	9	5	2	2	17	14	17
Tottenham H.	9	5	1	3	21	8	16
Everton	9	5	1	3	18	12	16
Arsenal	9	5	1	3	12	10	16
Birmingham City	9	5	1	3	9	11	16
Sheffield Wed.	9	4	2	3	12	16	14
Watford	9	4	1	4	19	15	13
Aston Villa	9	3	4	2	13	10	13
Q.P.R.	9	4	0	5	10	13	12
West Ham Utd.	9	2	4	3	13	12	10
Luton Town	8	2	4	2	10	11	10
FOREST	9	3	1	5	11	13	10
Manchester City	9	2	3	4	10	17	9
Southampton	9	1	5	3	10	11	8
Coventry City	9	1	4	4	10	14	7
Ipswich Town	8	2	1	5	4	13	7
Oxford Utd.	9	1	3	5	12	19	6
Leicester City	9	1	3	5	7	18	6
Albion	9	0	1	8	7	28	1

OF FOREST

• RESULTS • LEAGUE TABLES •

* Substitute used

8	9	10	11	12
Webb Webb Metgod Metgod	Birtles Birtles Clough Clough	Davenport Davenport Birtles Birtles	Robertson Robertson Rob'tson Dav'port	Clough Clough Mills* Bowyer*
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CENTRAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

Aug. 22	Derby County	3—0
28	Sheffield Wednesday	1—2
Sept. 4	Huddersfield Town	0—2
10	Leeds United	0—2
18	Newcastle United	0—2
26	Sheffield United	2—2
Oct. 2	Aston Villa	
9	Barnsley	
16	Leicester City	
23	Blackburn Rovers	
29	Everton	
Nov. 6	Wigan Athletic	
13	Hull City	
20	Albion	
26	Manchester City	
Dec. 3	Manchester United	
11	Liverpool	
18	Huddersfield Town	
Jan. 15	Derby County	
22	Leeds United	
28	Sheffield Wednesday	
Feb. 3	Leicester City	
12	Blackburn Rovers	
19	Newcastle United	
26	Sheffield United	
Mar. 5	Aston Villa	
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18	Wigan Athletic	
26	Everton	
April 2	Hull City	
9	Albion	
16	Manchester City	
23	Manchester United	
29	Liverpool	

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MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE FIXTURES

Aug. 17	Coventry City	4—1
24	Derby County	0—2
31	Leicester City	1—2
Sept. 7	Notts County	2—1
14	Port Vale	10—0
21	Albion	4—1
28	Walsall	
Oct. 5	Mansfield Town	
12	Stoke City	
19	Wolves	
26	Shrewsbury Town	
Nov. 2	Aston Villa	
9	Chesterfield	
Dec. 14	Coventry City	
21	Derby County	
Jan. 4	Leicester City	
11	Notts County	
18	Albion	
Feb. 1	Port Vale	
8	Aston Villa	
15	Walsall	
22	Mansfield Town	
Mar. 15	Stoke City	
22	Shrewsbury Town	
April 5	Wolves	
12	Chesterfield	

MIDLAND INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Leicester	6	5	0	1	14	9	15
Stoke City	6	4	0	1	18	9	13
Walsall	6	4	1	1	18	9	13
FOREST	6	4	0	2	21	7	12
Shrewsbury	6	3	2	1	10	6	11
Notts County	5	3	0	2	7	7	9
Aston Villa	5	2	2	1	10	9	8
Mansfield	6	2	2	2	8	7	8
Derby Co.	6	2	2	2	11	11	8
Wolves	6	2	0	4	10	10	6
Coventry City	6	1	2	3	11	14	5
Chesterfield	6	0	3	3	9	17	3
Port Vale	6	1	0	5	5	27	3
Albion	6	0	1	5	8	18	1

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CENTRAL LEAGUE — DIVISION ONE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Liverpool	3	3	0	0	8	0	9
Newcastle	4	2	2	0	11	8	8
Man. Utd.	3	2	0	1	7	2	6
Aston Villa	3	2	0	1	7	3	6
Sheff. Wed.	3	2	0	1	6	6	6
West Brom.	3	1	2	0	4	2	5
Man. City	3	1	1	1	8	4	4
Hull City	3	1	1	1	3	2	4
Huddersfield	3	1	1	1	5	5	4
Everton	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
Wigan	3	1	1	1	2	3	4
FOREST	5	1	1	3	6	8	4
Barnsley	3	1	0	2	4	4	3
Blackburn	3	1	0	2	3	4	3
Derby	3	1	0	2	3	6	3
Leicester	3	1	0	2	2	8	3
Sheff. United	3	1	0	2	2	9	3
Leeds United	4	1	0	3	3	10	3

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Reading	8	8	0	0	16	6	24
Walsall	8	6	0	2	18	9	18
Wigan	8	5	0	3	16	9	15
Gillingham	8	4	3	1	11	7	15
Notts. Co.	8	4	3	1	13	10	15
Chesterfield	8	4	2	2	10	8	14
Doncaster	8	3	4	1	12	9	13
Blackpool	8	4	0	4	13	10	12
Lincoln City	8	3	3	2	11	11	12
Bury	7	3	2	2	17	10	11
York City	8	3	2	3	16	14	11
Newport	8	3	2	3	10	9	11
Derby Co.	8	2	4	2	11	8	10
Plymouth	8	3	1	4	9	3	10
Rotherham	8	3	1	4	8	10	10
Brentford	8	3	1	4	6	12	10
Bolton	8	2	3	3	10	12	9
Cardiff City	8	2	2	4	9	14	8
Bristol City	8	2	2	4	9	15	8
Swansea	8	2	1	5	8	12	7
B'mouth	8	2	1	5	7	12	7
Bristol R.	8	1	3	4	9	14	6
Darlington	7	1	2	4	9	16	5
Wolves	8	1	0	7	13	26	3

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It's congratulations to ten years old Jonathan Gibbons, of Woodborough, for becoming our 1,000th Junior Reds member for the season.

Jonathan's application was dealt with at the weekend and he will now receive a special presentation at the next home match against Ipswich.

But we are confident that more landmarks will be passed in Junior Reds membership as the season unfolds so keep those applications coming in.

MARATHON HELPERS

This Sunday, the Junior Reds will be helping out with one of their feeding stations during the course of the Robin Hood Marathon.

Our site will be just outside the ground in Pavilion Road and we would like to see as many of you as possible not only to help in handing out drinks but to urge the runners on.

SOCCER SKILLS

The annual Soccer Skills competitions are being staged in the coming weeks.

On 6th October it's the turn of the 11-16 age group and on 13th October the Under-11's get their chance. Applications have been pouring in so we are expecting a bumper turn-out.

Anyone who has not enrolled and would like to is urged to do so very quickly so that we know what numbers to cater for on the days.

Youngsters coming to the sessions, which are on the training ground, should first of all check-in outside the Jubilee Club.

MATTHEW'S MAGIC

The Junior Reds Under-13 "B" team opened their football programme for the season with a runaway 12-2 victory over South East Derbyshire.

And Matthew Carbon was the destroyer in chief, scoring five of the goals.



A presentation is being lined up for Junior Red No. 1,000 — but we also recognised the 750th member to join this season. He was ten-years-old Darren Mann, of Wyndale Drive, Kirk Hallam, and he's pictured being presented with an autographed Forest clock by Chris Fairclough.

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RESERVE REPORT

by Liam O'Kane



Smalley's back in good shape

After our disappointments this season, it was good to get a couple of victories under our belts on Saturday.

The first team's victory over Watford was, of course, the important success but in the morning we had enjoyed a good 4-1 victory over West Brom in the Midland Intermediate League.

There were other factors other than the result which pleased us—not least the performance of Mark Smalley.

Mark's had more than his fair share of problems over the last 12 months with injury and it was great to see him get through 90 minutes and emerge as our best player on the day.

He spent much of last season recovering from a back injury and when he got fit at the start of this season he then pulled a muscle in his leg playing in a reserve game.

But he's battled back well and hopefully it's all systems go for him now and he can challenge again for the first team spot he had last September.

We went a goal down in Saturday's game when Brett Williams made a mess of a back pass to Darren Heyes and allowed one of their players to nip in and score.

But we were always in with a chance of getting back into the game with Franz Carr causing a lot of problems up front.

It was Carr who got the equaliser before half-time when he cut in from the right and beat the West Brom keeper with a left foot shot into the bottom corner of the net.

Phillip Starbuck, who got four goals the previous week, then got in on the goalscoring act with two more—the first following a run by Carr and the second after a scramble.

And then Russell Turley, who has been doing quite well in midfield this season, touched in the fourth.

There was a lot of satisfaction from the all-round display and although we got the four goals, it might not have been so easy for us if Heyes had not made a vital save during the second half.

THURSDAY LEAGUE

We have introduced a side in the Nottingham Thursday League this season with the chief aim of giving some of our first year apprentices a taste of competitive football.

Grooming the youngsters is the main objective and we are also fortunate that Archie Gem-

mill is playing with them to give them the benefit of his vast experience.

To be playing alongside someone of Archie's standing is in itself sure to do the lads a power of good and hopefully they will respond accordingly.

As for Archie himself, he's loving every minute of it (even if he's still having the odd debate with referees) and he got his name on the scoresheet last Thursday against Derby Fire Brigade.

We went a goal behind but came back to win 4-1 with efforts from Terry Wilson, Chris Reid, Gemmill and Starbuck.



Mark Smalley

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COMMERCIAL SCENE



Cruising along with Private Members' Club

Pictured on the right is Mick Walker, his wife Jean and their young son on a stop-off during their Icelandic cruise.

The Walkers won the £4,500 prize, donated by Safleisure, in our Private Members' Club's big draw for last season.

And now we are announcing plans for the club again this winter . . . with more exciting prizes to be won and great nights to be enjoyed.

We will be having five cabaret nights at the Commodore International in January, February, March, April and May and for further details of how to join please contact Joan Bowen in the Commercial Office (820444).

COMPETITION

We've just taken delivery of a new printing machine in the Commercial Office for putting motifs on T-shirts etc.

So we thought it would be a good idea to organize a competition for the best motif with a Forest theme.

Get your thinking caps on and send entries to the Commercial Office. Remember it's got to be suitable for use on a T-shirt.

The best entry received before our next home game with Ipswich a week on Saturday will receive a sweat-shirt.

The cost of T-shirts, with printed motif, vary from £3.00-£4.00.



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Six years on . . . and Asa's back

He cost £400,000 and was reckoned to be the player who would add extra qualities of bite and flair to a side that had just lifted the European Cup.

That was the Forest stage upon which Asa Hartford entered in June, 1979, but it was a stage he didn't play on for long.

But despite the surprise of his in-out transfer in the space of 63 days, Hartford enjoyed a 100 per cent record during the briefest of spells at the City Ground.

He figured in victories over Ipswich, Stoke and Coventry but as he prepared for a League Cup tie against Blackburn, Hartford was plucked out of the team and told that Everton wanted to sign him.

The Goodison men had tried to buy him before Hartford opted to join us so a move to Merseyside didn't worry him unduly.

It was yet another remarkable episode in a career that has spanned six English clubs and included 50 appearances for Scotland.

But not even the shock of his proposed transfer from West Brom. to Leeds being called off on medical grounds could startle him more than his experience at the City Ground.

Six years on, however, Hartford returns tonight with his new club Bolton remaining philosophical about the affair.

He confesses: "These things happen in football but there's no point in looking back and dwelling on them. The transfer to Forest and out again happened so quickly that I hardly remember anything about it.

"I do recall thinking I was playing at Blackburn that night and suddenly been told I was on my way to Everton."

Hartford, now 35, played in those three Forest games alongside Garry Birtles and John Robertson, whom he also knows well from their Scottish days together.

And Asa adds: "I was delighted for Robbo that he got the chance to return to Forest. He could not have had a better move at this stage of his career.

"I'm looking forward to seeing him again and I was sorry that I



ASA HARTFORD . . . in Forest playing kit — but not for long

never got the opportunity to partner him at Forest more, even though we did play together for Scotland on several occasions.

"I've always appreciated his class and there have not been many players around who were able to cross a ball with his accuracy."

Asa had two years with Everton and another spell with Manchester City before linking up with Norwich City, whom he helped to last season's Milk Cup final win over Sunderland.

In fact it was his shot that took a deflection off Gordon Chisholm for the Wembley winner but he was suprisingly released by the East Anglian club.

By the time they had changed their mind, Brighton and Leeds had also made offers and he was being linked with the player-manager's job at Lincoln.

But Hartford opted to return again to Lancashire to help restore one of the country's most famous clubs to former heights.

WHAT'S IN THE POST?

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UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

Having attended the Manchester United fixture with two small boys, I feel obliged to write about an element of crowd behaviour I found totally unacceptable and which gives me great concern when taking children to football matches.

This is the foul, boorish and mindless abuse directed at players by "seemingly" responsible, often middle aged, men sitting in stand seats.

While accepting that crowd violence exists, one feels able to avoid troublesome areas by selecting a "safe" position in the two main stands. To do this and then have torrents of foul language poured over children's heads by someone who does not even know how offensive he is being is unacceptable.

I can think of few, if any, other environments which would tolerate such behaviour, particularly where children are actively encouraged to attend.

DAVID LANCASTER,
30, Sandy Lane, Bramcote.

ROBBED OF VITAL PENALTIES

I feel that I must say something on the subject of football referees. I was shocked and appalled by the terrible decisions that were made by a Mr. Peter Willis, the referee of the Nottingham Forest versus Tottenham Hotspur game on Saturday 14th September.

Referees have the final decision but I felt that Forest were denied two clear penalties, which would probably have won them the game.

A referee is supposed to have a fair and unbiased opinion, but in quite a few of the games that I have seen, this does not appear to be the case. I cannot see the point of going to a match which is controlled by a bad referee because we don't get to see the fair play that we would expect.

In my view referees get away with this sort of thing far too often, and I think that something should be done quickly to put a stop to it because it is ruining the game of football that I usually enjoy so much.

G. M. USHERWOOD (Mrs)

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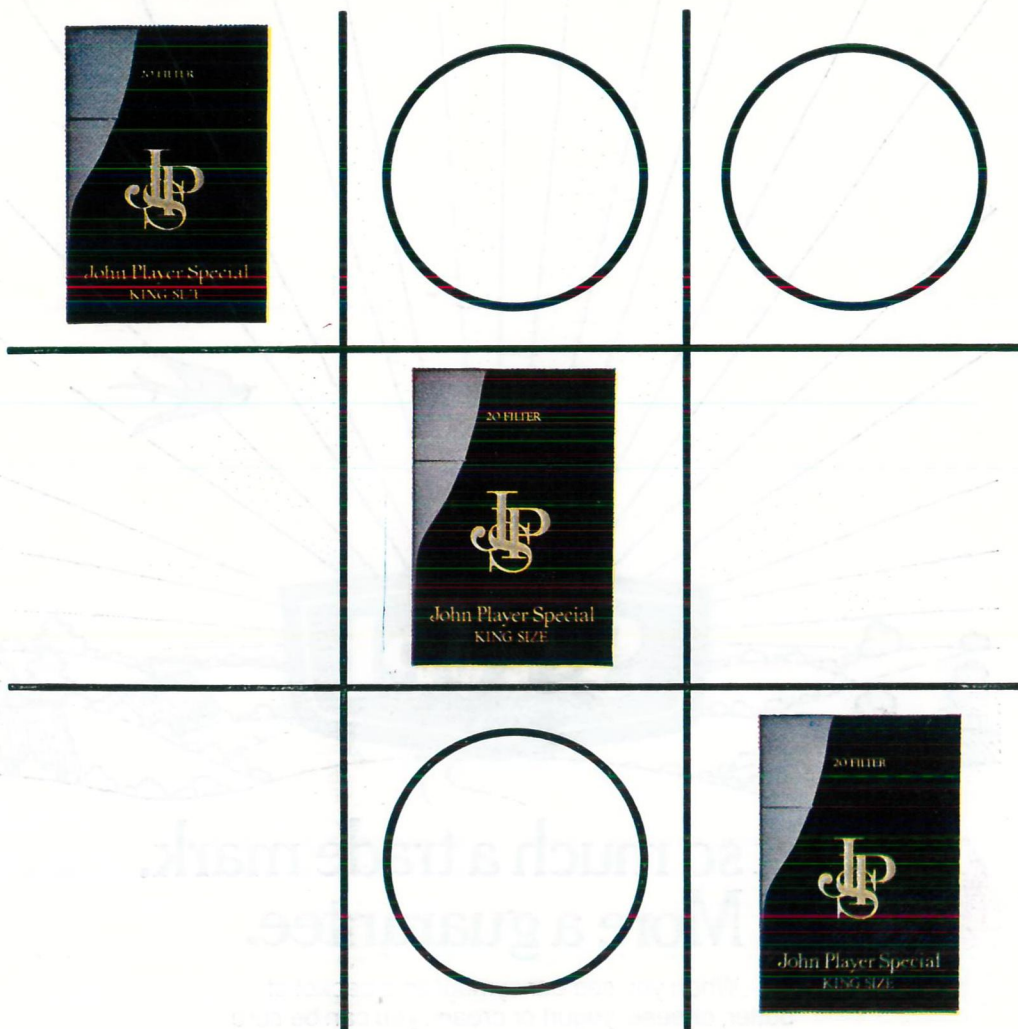
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